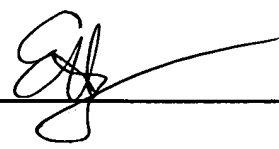


<b>TRANSMITTAL LETTER TO THE UNITED STATES DESIGNATED/ELECTED OFFICE (DO/EO/US) CONCERNING A FILING UNDER 35 U.S.C. 371</b>		ATTORNEY'S DOCKET NUMBER 96790P516 U.S. APPLICATION NO. (if known, see 37 CFR 1.5) <b>10/561781</b>
INTERNATIONAL APPLICATION NO. PCT/JP2004/009437	INTERNATIONAL FILING DATE 2 July 2004	PRIORITY DATE CLAIMED 07/04/2003
TITLE OF INVENTION device and method for estimating occurrence distribution of unascertained water and recording medium		
APPLICANT(S) FOR DO/EO/US Toshiaki Oka, et al.		
Applicant herewith submits to the United States Designated/Elected Office (DO/EO/US) the following items and other information:		
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Items 11 to 20 below concern document(s) or information included:		
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>11. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> An Information Disclosure Statement under 37 CFR 1.97 and 1.98.</li> <li>12. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> An assignment document for recording. A separate cover sheet in compliance with 37 CFR 3.28 and 3.31 is included.</li> <li>13. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> A preliminary amendment.</li> <li>14. <input type="checkbox"/> An Application Data Sheet under 37 CFR 1.76.</li> <li>15. <input type="checkbox"/> A substitute specification.</li> <li>16. <input type="checkbox"/> A power of attorney and/or change of address letter.</li> <li>17. <input type="checkbox"/> A computer-readable form of the sequence listing in accordance with PCT Rule 13ter.2 and 35 U.S.C. 1.821 - 1.825.</li> <li>18. <input type="checkbox"/> A second copy of the published international application under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4)).</li> <li>19. <input type="checkbox"/> A second copy of the English language translation of the international application under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4)).</li> <li>20. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other items or information.</li> </ol>		
<u>priority request; formal drawings transmittal; 11 drawings sheets w/26 figures; copy of form PCT/IB/308; copy of form PCT/IB/304</u>		

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21.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Basic national fee (37 CFR 1.492(a)) .....	\$300	\$ 300.00	
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		All other situations .....	\$200	\$ 200.00	
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		International Search Report Prepared by an ISA other than the US and provided to the Office or previously communicated to the US by the IB .....	\$400		
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TOTAL OF 21, 22 and 23 =				\$ 900.00	
Additional fee for specification and drawings filed in paper over 100 sheets (excluding sequence listing or computer program listing filed in an electronic medium). The fee is \$250.00 for each additional 50 sheets of paper or fraction thereof.					
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Total claims	21- 20 =	1	x 50	\$ 50.00	
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TOTAL OF ABOVE CALCULATIONS =				\$ 950.00	
<input type="checkbox"/> Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27. The fees are reduced by 1/2.				\$ 950.00	
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TOTAL NATIONAL FEE =				\$ 950.00	
Fee for recording the enclosed assignment (37 CFR 1.21(h). The assignment must be accompanied by an appropriate cover sheet (37 CFR 3.28, 3.31). \$40.00 per property				\$	
Other fee (specify):					
TOTAL FEES ENCLOSED =				\$ 950.00	
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<p>a. <input type="checkbox"/> A check(s) in the amount of \$ <u>950.00</u> to cover the above fees is enclosed.</p> <p>b. <input type="checkbox"/> Please charge my Deposit Account No. <u>02-2666</u> in the amount of \$ <u>950.00</u> to cover the above fees. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.</p> <p>c. <input type="checkbox"/> The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. <u>02-2666</u>. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.</p>					
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<p>SEND ALL CORRESPONDENCE TO:</p> <p>Blakely, Sokoloff, Taylor &amp; Zafman LLP</p> <p>12400 Wilshire Boulevard, 7th Floor</p> <p>Los Angeles, CA 90025</p> <p>Telephone: (310) 207-3800</p>			<p style="text-align: center;">DATE</p> <p style="text-align: center;">12/19/05</p> <hr/> <p style="text-align: center;">SIGNATURE</p> <p style="text-align: center;"></p> <p style="text-align: center;">Eric S. Hyman</p> <hr/> <p style="text-align: center;">NAME</p> <p style="text-align: center;">30,139</p> <hr/> <p style="text-align: center;">REGISTRATION NUMBER</p>		

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Sir:

Enclosed herewith for filing in the above-identified U.S. Patent Application are the formal drawings, 11 sheets including 26 Figures. Please charge any additional fees or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 02-2666. A duplicate copy of the Fee Transmittal is enclosed for this purpose.

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